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SUBJECT TALK OF EXPELLING OPPOSITION ASSEMBLYMAN

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1. FOLLOWING OPPOSITION ASSEMBLYMAN CHONG IL-HYONG'S
SPEECH IN ASSEMBLY SEPTEMBER 26 ON KIM TAE-CHUNG
CASE (SEE REFTEL), LEADERS OF DEMOCRATIC REPUBLICAN
PARTY (DRP) AND REVITALIZATION GROUP
(RG) MET AND DECIDED TO DISCIPLINE CHONG FOR
"DAMAGING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY'S PRESITIGE".
DRP FLOOR LEADER KIM YONG-T'AE ANNOUNCED THAT HIS
PARTY WOULD MOVE TO EXPEL CHONG FROM THE ASSEMBLY
UNLESS HIS OWN PARTY TOOK SUITABLE DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

2. OPPOSITION NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY (NDP) LEADERS
MET SEPTEMBER 27 AND DECIDED TO REJECT GOVERNMENT
PARTIES' DEMAND AND TO OPPOSE ANY MOTION TO PUNISH
CHONG IL-HYONG. PARTY CHAIRMAN YU CHIN-SAN SAID
ALL ASSEMBLYMEN HAVE THEIR OWN VIEWS AND IF GOVERNMENT
WANTS TO HEAR ONLY PLEASING WORDS THERE IS NO USE
TO HAVE A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

3. VICE SPEAKER YI CH'OL-SUNG OF NDP TOLD EMBASSY
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FSL THAT SPEAKER CHONG IL-KWON HAD AGREED TO TAKE

NO ACTION AGAINST CHONG IL-HYONG. YI AND OTHER
OPPOSITION ASSEMBLYMENT EXPRESSED VIEW THAT NDP
WOULD STAND FIRM AGAINST DISCIPLINING CHONG AND
THAT GOVERNMENT WOULD BACK DOWN.

4. MOTION AGAINST CHONG WAS NOT RPT NOT INTRODUCED
IN SEPTEMBER 27 ASSEMBLY SESSION. NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY LAW REQUIRES THAT MOTION TO DISCIPLINE A
MEMBER MUST BE MADE WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF THE ALLGED
OFFENSE.
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